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## PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU APPROVES REGION 24 (MISSOURI) 800 MHZ NPSPAC REGIONAL PLAN AMENDMENT

### PR Docket No. 93-131

*Introduction.* On November 19, 2013, the Region 24 (Missouri)<sup>1</sup> 800 MHz NPSPAC Regional Planning Committee (RPC) submitted a proposed modification (Plan Amendment) to amend its 800 MHz NPSPAC Plan for spectrum in the 806-809/851-854 MHz band.<sup>2</sup> For the reasons discussed below, we approve the Region 24 800 MHz Plan Amendment.

*Background.* In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of the public safety radio frequency spectrum (rebanding to the 806-809/851-854 MHz segment).<sup>3</sup>

*Review of the Region 24 Plan 800 MHz NPSPAC Plan Amendment.* The Plan Amendment consists of three modifications. All three modifications were approved by the regional membership.

- Section 2.5 – Regional Review Committee (RRC) is modified to include an expansion of the RRC<sup>4</sup> duties to review all new submitted 800 MHz applications. The rewritten section clarifies the RRC's application review, coordination responsibilities and existing duties. Previously, the RRC reviewed only applications that fell outside the Region's stated

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<sup>1</sup> The Region 24 (Missouri) 800 MHz regional planning area consists of the entire state of Missouri. Region 24 previously amended its NPSPAC Plan in 2009, *see* Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Approves Region 24 Missouri NPSPAC Regional Planning Committee Non-Streamlined Amendment to Reflect 800 MHz Band Reconfiguration in the 806-809/851-854 MHz, WT Docket No. 02-55, PR Docket No. 93-131, *Public Notice*, 24 FCC Rcd 12164 (PSHSB 2009).

<sup>2</sup> *See* Letter from Stephen T. Devine, Chair, Region 24 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee, to the Federal Communications Commission, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB), PR Docket No. 93-131 (filed Nov. 19, 2013) (Plan Amendment).

<sup>3</sup> *See* Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment of Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/766-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety services, *Report and Order*, General Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987). The Commission modified the band in the *Rebanding* proceeding, WT Docket 02-55, by shifting the NPSPAC band down by 15 megahertz to 806-809/851-854 MHz. Improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band, WT Docket No. 02-55, *Report and Order*, *Fifth Report and Order*, *Fourth Memorandum Opinion and Order*, and *Order*, 19 FCC Rcd 14969 (2004).

<sup>4</sup> Plan Amendment, Section 2.5 – Regional Review Committee (revised to expand committee duties to include the review of all 800 MHz NPSPAC applications, there upon improving process efficiency).

guidelines, and was responsible for settling disputes involving application of the Plan. Existing duties also include preparation of plan amendments or modifications to the Plan when voted upon by the RPC membership.

- Section 4.1.3(I) and Section 4.1.3(II) are amended to reflect the new interoperable channel names associated with the National APCO ANSI standard channel nomenclature recommendations,<sup>5</sup> and
- Section 6.0 – The Regional Planning Committee (Chairperson) is updated to reflect the current RPC chairperson and his contact information.<sup>6</sup>

On April 11, 2014, we placed the Region 24 Plan Amendment on *Public Notice* for comment.<sup>7</sup> We received no comments. We have reviewed the Region 24 Plan Amendment, and conclude, based on the information before us that it complies with Commission rules and policies. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Section 1.102(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.102(b), the Region 24 (Missouri) 800 MHz NPSPAC Public Safety Plan Amendment IS APPROVED.

We take this action under delegated authority pursuant to Sections 0.191 and 0.392 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.191, 0.392.

Action by the Chief, Policy and Licensing Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

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<sup>5</sup> See Plan Amendment, Section 4.1.3(I) International Calling Channel 8CALL90, and Section 4.1.3(II) International Tactical Channels 8TAC91-8TAC94 at 19 (updates nomenclature for tactical channels for International Calling Channel, 8TAC91-Law Enforcement, 8TAC92-Fire Services, 8TAC93-Emergency Medical Services, and 8TAC94-Command and Control).

<sup>6</sup> See Plan Amendment, Section 6.0 – The Regional Planning Committee – Chairperson at 23 (identifying Stephen T. Devine, Missouri Department of Public Safety, Missouri Interoperability Center, 2413 McCarty Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101).

<sup>7</sup> See Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Seeks Comments on Region 24 (Missouri) 800 MHz NPSPAC Regional Plan Amendment, PR Docket No. 93-131, *Public Notice*, DA 14-490 (PSHSB rel. Apr. 11, 2014). Comments were due May 1, 2014, and reply comments were due May 12, 2014.